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SUBJECT: FRG AND EC VIEWS ON BREZHNEV PROPOSALS

REF: (A) STATE 55312, (B) EC BRUSSELS 2282

1. EMBOFF CONVEYED U.S. VIEWS ON SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR
ALL-EUROPEAN CONGRESSES ON ENERGY, TRANSPORTATION AND
THE ENVIRONMENT TO SUHIMMA, DIRECTOR OF OFFICE FOR
MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION (RESPONSIBLE FOR ECE
MATTERS) AND TO SIEGER, DIRECTOR OF OFFICE FOR EAST/WEST
ECONOMIC RELATIONS (RESPONSIBLE FOR CSCE BASKET II
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ISSUES) BOTH IN FOREIGN MINISTRY.

2. SULIMMA COMMENTED THAT THE POSITION OF THE GERMANS,
AS EXPRESSED IN NATO AND OTHER FORA, IS QUITE SIMILAR
TO OUR OWN. HE NOTED THAT THE TIMING OF THE U.S.
PRESENTATION WAS PARTICULARLY USEFUL, SINCE THE GERMANS
HAD NOW ACCEPTED THE EC BASKET II WORKING GROUP PROPOSALS

WHICH WERE DISCUSSED AT THE EC FOREIGN MINISTERS COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 8 (REF B).

3. ACCORDING TO SULIMMA, THE EC POSITION NOW CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING POINTS: FIRST, THE REPORT PREPARED BY ECE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY STANOVNIK PROVIDES A GOOD NEGOTIATING POSITION FOR HANDLING THE BREZHNEV PROPOSALS; SECOND, THE EC-9 SHOULD RESPOND FAVORABLY TO STANOVNIK'S IDEAS, WHILE EMPHASIZING THAT ANY EVENTUAL CONFERENCE MUST TAKE PLACE WITHIN THE ECE FRAMEWORK; THIRD, THE EC WILL INDICATE A PREFERENCE FOR ONE OR TWO OF THE SUBJECT CONFERENCES PROPOSED BY STANOVNIK. (THE GERMANS HAD PREVIOUSLY OPPOSED THIS IDEA, ARGUING THAT THE INDICATION OF SUCH A PREFERENCE MIGHT PREJUDICE THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF MR. STANOVNIK'S IDEAS. THE FRG WAS ISOLATED ON THIS POINT AND HAS NOW ACCEPTED THE MAJORITY VIEW. THUS, ALL DELEGATIONS HAVE NOW AGREED TO DESIGNATE ENVIRONMENT AND INFORMATION AS PREFERENCES FOR CONFERENCES.); FOURTH, THE LEVEL AND AGENDA OF THESE MEETINGS SHOULD NOT BE DECIDED UNTIL AFTER THE BELGRADE CSCE CONFERENCE OR AFTER THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT IS PRESENTED TO THE 33RD PLENARY SESSION. AS NOTED REFTEL B, THIS LATTER POINT WAS ADDED AT FRENCH INSISTENCE.

4. SULIMMA APPRECIATED THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE U.S. VIEWS PRIOR TO MARCH 21 ECONADS MEETING AND BELIEVED THAT THE U.S. AND EC COULD ARRIVE AT A COMMON POSITION WITH LITTLE DIFFICULTY. HE DID NOT GIVE US ANY
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INDICATION WHEN THE EC LETTER TO STANOVNIK WOULD BE DELIVERED, BUT WE ASSUME THAT IT WILL BE READY FOR DELIVERY FOLLOWING PRESENTATION TO EC-9 POLITICAL COMMITTEE AT THEIR APRIL 5 COUNCIL MEETING. STOESEL

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